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"METHOD FOR SIMULTANEOUS SACCHARIFICATION AND FERMENTATION OF SPENT CELLULOSE SAUSAGE CASINGS" I, Leslie Lindsay, hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the US Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date of my signature.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.97(b)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97-1.98, Applicant submits this supplemental information disclosure statement and a listing of documents on Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document is enclosed. Applicant recently became aware of these documents and now directs the Examiner's attention to same.

The submission of the documents is not intended as an admission that any listed document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the documents be considered by the Examiner, be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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